



SCHEDULE ANNOUNCED FOR POKERSTARS.NET LATIN AMERICAN POKER TOUR SEASON 9

Season begins at PokerStars Caribbean Adventure in January

ONCHAN, Isle of Man – December 14, 2015 – The Latin America Poker Tour (LAPT) today announced the schedule for its ninth season, which features an increased number of tournaments and new game formats. The LAPT is sponsored by PokerStars.net, an Amaya Inc. (Nasdaq: AYA; TSX: AYA) brand.

The new season of Latin America's richest poker tour kicks off in January as part of the PokerStars Caribbean Adventure (PCA), which features 104 events and is the biggest PokerStars live poker festival ever held. The tour then visits Chile, Panama and Uruguay, before finishing in Brazil.

SEASON 9 CHANGES

LAPT Season 9 will introduce some key changes in an effort to improve the player experience and attract a greater number of competitors to the tour. The principal difference from last season is that the Main Event buy-in has been reduced and set at \$1,500 for each event, with the exception of the Bahamas event, which has a \$2,200 buy-in.

A new \$400 No-Limit Hold'em Cup event will make its debut, offering a moderately-priced championship event with an excellent structure. Season 9 will also feature an increased number of poker variants, with mixed games and multiple Pot Limit Omaha tournaments offered at each stop.

Edgar Stuchly, Director of Live Events at PokerStars, said: "The poker industry is booming in Latin America and by providing the best live poker experience in the region we will contribute to this growth for many years. Every poker player will want to compete in the LAPT next year. The tour attracts some of the world's best poker players, along with Team PokerStars SportStars such as Ronaldo and Neymar Jr, while offering more tournaments than ever before and buy-ins starting from as little as \$50 to cater for our recreational players."

Brazilian Team PokerStars Pro, Andre Akkari, said: "Over the past 10 years I've been playing poker tournaments all around the world and it's great to see games that are popular in North America and Europe make their way to Latin America. Other games besides Texas Hold'em, such as Pot Limit-Omaha, will only become more popular if they are made available to play. With more variety available, the LAPT will appeal to more online grinders, recreational players and mixed game players, which will mean more players, larger tournament fields and bigger prizes."

TOUR SCHEDULE

The LAPT Bahamas Main Event runs from January 7-9 and is expected to draw a record number of participants. A total of 736 players participated in the LAPT 8 Bahamas Main Event, creating a prize pool of \$1.9 million. The first prize of \$367,928 was won by Joshua Kay, who beat German poker pro, Martin Finger, heads-up.

The tour returns to the same destinations as last season – Bahamas, Chile, Panama, Uruguay and Brazil – with only Peru absent from the schedule.

Event	Location	Main Event buy-in	Main Event date
LAPT Bahamas	Atlantis Resort, Paradise Island	\$2,200	January 7-9, 2016
LAPT Chile	Enjoy Casino & Resort, Vina del Mar		March 4-8, 2016
LAPT Panama	Sortis Hotel & Casino, Panama City	\$1,500	May 12-16, 2016
LAPT Uruguay	Conrad Resort & Casino, Punta del Este	\$1,500	September 23-27, 2016
LAPT Brazil during BSOP Millions	São Paulo	\$1,500	TBC

About the Latin American Poker Tour

The Latin American Poker Tour (LAPT), sponsored by PokerStars.net, is the region's richest and most popular poker tour. Since 2008, the LAPT has paid out over USD\$52 million in tournament prize pools, and hosted successful festivals across the most glamorous destinations in Latin America. The LAPT also incorporates the PokerStars Caribbean Adventure (PCA), which takes place every January in The Bahamas and the Brazilian Series of Poker (BSOP), the largest single poker festival ever held in Latin America.

Season 7 of the LAPT builds on the success of previous years of world-class live poker events, and major poker festivals will be held in Vina del Mar, Punta del Este, Panama City, Lima, with the LAPT Grand Final to be held in São Paulo.

The LAPT is owned by Amaya Inc. (Nasdaq: AYA; TSX: AYA). Further information on the LAPT is available online at <http://psta.rs/1R92q5>.